

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT

Please cancel the present Abstract and substitute the rewritten Abstract as follows:

ABSTRACT:

A data processing system ~~is comprised of~~having a display; a cursor control ~~means~~ connected to the display for displacement of a cursor represented on the display; and a user-interface ~~means~~ coupled to the cursor control ~~means~~ for user-manipulation of the cursor via the cursor control ~~means~~. The cursor control ~~means~~ is operative to displace the cursor at a ~~relatively low~~first speed relative to the display during a predetermined time interval upon activation of the user-interface ~~means~~ and to displace the cursor at a ~~relatively high~~second speed after the predetermined time interval has elapsed. The first and second speeds may be at fixed respective values, v1 and v2. Alternatively, v1 and v2 may be the upper bounds of speed ranges, the cursor speed being continuously variable through the user-interface.